

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Consider this message a "Heads Up" notice. If warranted, DSCP will initiate an ALFOODACT. FYI, I've pasted a copy of the DSCP Vendor Recall Notice below:

SUBJECT: DSCP Vendor Recall 001-2004: "Stagg" Chili, Steak House Reserve, Chili With Beans

Date Issued: January 29, 2004

Recall Notification Level: Retail

**RECALL NOTIFICATION REPORT
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE**

PRODUCTS RECALLED: "STAGG CHILI, STEAK HOUSE RESERVE, CHILI WITH BEANS, Hearty Beef with a Kick of Green Chilies."

PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES: The cans and cases bear one of the following date codes "S112434," "S112435," or "S112436." In addition, the cases and cans bear the establishment number "Est. 199C" inside the USDA mark of inspection.

PROBLEM/REASON FOR RECALL: Foreign Material

HOW/WHEN DISCOVERED: The product was found to have been contaminated with plastic and other parts of a handheld calculator. The company discovered that the contamination had occurred after receiving complaints from consumers who found a calculator button and a piece of plastic in chili they had purchased.

FEDERAL ESTABLISHMENT:

199C M
Hormel Foods Corporation
1404 S. Fresno Ave.
Stockton, CA 95206

CONSUMER CONTACT: Rochelle Kroc, Director of Consumer Affairs,
800-611-9778

MEDIA CONTACT: Julie Craven, Director of Communications, 507-437-5355

QUANTITY RECALLED: Approximately 104,000 pounds

DISTRIBUTION: Arizona, California, Colorado, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah, and Wisconsin.

RECALL CLASSIFICATION: Class I

RECALL NOTIFICATION LEVEL: Retail

PRESS RELEASE: Yes

DIRECT NOTIFICATION MEANS: The firm has notified its customer orally and will follow up in writing.

FSIS FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES: Effectiveness checks by the FSIS, Office of Field Operations (OFO).

OTHER AGENCIES INVOLVED: None

FSIS CONTACTS:

FSIS Recall Coordinator: (510) 337-5000
Consumer Inquiries: 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854); TTY, 1-800-256-7072
Media Inquiries: 202-720-9113
Congressional Inquiries: 202-720-3897
Recall Management: 202-690-6389
Web site: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/recalls/rec_intr.htm

DATE OF RECALL MEETING: January 28, 2004

RECALL CASE NUMBER: 002-2004

DSCP INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use of the item.

(2) Return recalled product to manufacturer via the vendor representative.

The Point Of Contact for this Vendor Recall notice is [CW3 Melinda Strother](#), Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-HS. VOICE, DSN: 444-7746/2911, Commercial (215) 737-7746/2911, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

*Very Respectfully,
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